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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed May 17, 2010, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendments and remarks. A Shortened Statutory Period was set to expire three (3) months after the mailing of the Office Action, i.e., on August 17, 2010. A petition for a two (2) month extension of time extending the time for reply to and including October 17, 2010 is being submitted herewith, along with a credit card payment of \$245 in view of Applicants' small entity status. Applicants therefore submit that the present Response is timely filed on October 15, 2010.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of the Claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.